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## MARCH 1 INVENTORY

Hogs and pigs on farms March 1, 1974 in the 14 Quarterly States are estimated 48.5 million head, up 2 percent from a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

---Number kept for breeding at 7.6 million head is down less than 1/2 percent

---Market hogs and pigs, at 40.9 million head, are 2 percent above a year earlier.

## DECEMBER-FEBRUARY PIG CROP

The 14 Quarterly States pig crop from December 1973 through February 1974 totaled 15.6 million head, down 3 percent from the previous year. During the period, 2.3 million sows farrowed, about the same as a year earlier. Pigs per litter averaged 6.90, compared with 7.08 for the December 1972-February 1973 period, reflecting more than usual disease problems.

## INTENDED FARROWINGS

Producers in the 14 Quarterly States intend to farrow 3.3 million sows during the March through May 1974 period. If realized, farrowings would be nearly the same as during the March through May 1973 period.

Intentions in the 14 States are to farrow 2.5 million sows during June through August 1974, down 2 percent from farrowings June through August 1973.

A special article entitled "Hog and Pig Reports--An Analysis and Review" by the Statistical Reporting Service will be available on request March 25, 1974.

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In this article, special emphasis is

given to the 1973 hog and pig estimates.

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Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, sows farrowing and pig crop  
14 States, 1972-74

Item	1972 <sup>1/</sup>	1973	1974	1974 as percent of 1973
		1,000 head		Percent
<u>Number on Farms-March 1:</u>				
All hogs and pigs		47,635	48,543	102
Kept for breeding		7,625	7,622	100
Market		40,010	40,921	102
<u>Market hogs and pigs by weight groups</u>				
Under 60 pounds		15,073	14,792	98
60-119 pounds		9,147	9,521	104
120-179 pounds		9,318	9,573	103
180-219 pounds		5,425	5,809	107
220 pounds and over		1,047	1,226	117
<u>Sows farrowing</u>				
December <sup>2/</sup> -February	2,177	2,266	2,258	100
March-May	3,412	3,325	<sup>3/</sup> 3,327	100
December <sup>2/</sup> -May	5,589	5,591	<sup>4/</sup> 5,585	100
June-August	2,546	2,513	<sup>3/</sup> 2,475	98
September-November	2,596	2,562		
June-November	5,142	5,075		
<u>Pig Crop</u>				
December <sup>2/</sup> -February		16,032	15,590	97
March-May		23,802		
December <sup>2/</sup> -May	40,817	39,834		
June-August		17,871		
September-November		18,275		
June-November	37,035	36,146		
<u>Pigs per litter</u>		Number		
December <sup>2/</sup> -February		7.08	6.90	97
March-May		7.16		
December <sup>2/</sup> -May	7.30	7.12		
June-August		7.11		
September-November		7.13		
June-November	7.20	7.12		

<sup>1/</sup> Data not available for periods blank.

<sup>2/</sup> December preceding year

<sup>3/</sup> Intentions

<sup>4/</sup> Intentions for March-May

Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, breeding, market and total, December 1, 1972-73  
selected States

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	1973			1973			1973		
	1972	Number	As % of	1972	Number	As % of	1972	Number	As % of
			1972			1972			1972
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Georgia	294	272	93	1,590	1,480	93	1,884	1,752	93
Illinois	964	992	103	5,686	6,358	112	6,650	7,350	111
Indiana	640	634	99	4,210	4,241	101	4,850	4,875	101
Iowa	2,030	2,010	99	12,170	12,690	104	14,200	14,700	104
Kansas	305	290	95	1,795	1,710	95	2,100	2,000	95
Kentucky	188	198	105	1,067	1,082	101	1,255	1,280	102
Minnesota	568	596	105	2,982	3,380	113	3,550	3,976	112
Missouri	675	653	97	3,675	3,672	100	4,350	4,325	99
Nebraska	479	460	96	2,821	2,995	106	3,300	3,455	105
North Carolina	266	296	111	1,473	1,654	112	1,739	1,950	112
Ohio	313	307	98	2,007	1,967	98	2,320	2,274	98
South Dakota	269	304	113	1,524	1,871	123	1,793	2,175	121
Texas	173	163	94	977	887	91	1,150	1,050	91
Wisconsin	251	252	100	1,224	1,323	108	1,475	1,575	107
Total 14 States	7,415	7,427	100	43,201	45,310	105	50,616	52,737	104

Market Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, by weight groups, December 1, 1972-73,  
selected States

State	Under		60-119		120-179		180-219		220 lbs.	
	60 lbs.		lbs.		lbs.		lbs.		and over	
	1972	1973	1972	1973	1972	1973	1972	1973	1972	1973
	1,000 head									
Georgia	572	645	477	444	334	241	127	108	80	42
Illinois	2,217	2,447	1,535	1,717	1,194	1,272	569	731	171	191
Indiana	1,474	1,480	1,179	1,230	1,010	933	484	479	63	119
Iowa	4,564	4,619	3,140	3,236	2,507	2,741	1,533	1,637	426	457
Kansas	718	701	476	444	323	308	215	197	63	60
Kentucky	448	487	278	271	192	184	101	97	48	43
Minnesota	1,163	1,419	820	929	534	592	367	355	98	85
Missouri	1,530	1,608	980	918	660	617	400	397	105	132
Nebraska	1,072	1,168	748	749	592	584	339	374	70	120
North Carolina	582	670	368	413	320	298	133	174	70	99
Ohio	803	787	522	492	421	374	221	275	40	39
South Dakota	562	748	373	458	322	346	203	253	64	66
Texas	369	353	276	237	197	162	108	100	27	35
Wisconsin	490	529	323	344	235	262	147	156	29	32
Total 14 States	16,564	17,661	11,495	11,882	8,841	8,914	4,947	5,333	1,354	1,520

Hogs and Pigs: Number on Farms, breeding, market and total, March 1, 1973-74  
selected States

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	1974			1974			1974		
	1973	Number	As % of 1973	1973	Number	As % of 1973	1973	Number	As % of 1973
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Georgia	323	304	94	1,577	1,539	98	1,900	1,843	97
Illinois	1,050	1,050	100	5,600	5,730	102	6,650	6,780	102
Indiana	672	658	98	4,128	4,042	98	4,800	4,700	98
Iowa	2,059	2,067	100	10,496	11,133	106	12,555	13,200	105
Kansas	276	270	98	1,624	1,590	98	1,900	1,860	98
Kentucky	205	206	100	1,035	969	94	1,240	1,175	95
Minnesota	560	589	105	2,860	3,141	110	3,420	3,730	109
Missouri	660	660	100	3,340	3,140	94	4,000	3,800	95
Nebraska	465	475	102	2,535	2,705	107	3,000	3,180	106
North Carolina	317	300	95	1,603	1,550	97	1,920	1,850	96
Ohio	297	318	107	1,753	1,802	103	2,050	2,120	103
South Dakota	306	330	108	1,348	1,605	119	1,654	1,935	117
Texas	170	150	88	880	820	93	1,050	970	92
Wisconsin	265	245	92	1,231	1,155	94	1,496	1,400	94
Total 14 States	7,625	7,622	100	40,010	40,921	102	47,635	48,543	102

Market Hogs and Pigs: Number on Farms, by weight groups, March 1, 1973-74  
selected States

State	Under		60-119		120-179		180-219		220 lbs.		
	60- lbs.		lbs.		lbs.		lbs.		and over		
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	
	:	:	:	:	1,000 head		:	:	:	:	
Georgia	:	631	692	442	416	315	269	142	123	47	39
Illinois	:	2,156	2,034	1,288	1,375	1,344	1,375	672	745	140	201
Indiana	:	1,589	1,434	908	930	991	950	557	651	83	77
Iowa	:	3,412	3,430	2,309	2,505	2,739	3,017	1,721	1,837	315	344
Kansas	:	633	530	374	388	357	358	211	215	49	49
Kentucky	:	460	436	197	206	207	179	145	121	26	27
Minnesota	:	1,150	1,228	600	660	661	691	392	468	57	94
Missouri	:	1,340	1,319	770	782	715	612	425	323	90	104
Nebraska	:	951	992	646	676	545	577	330	379	63	81
North Carolina	:	778	735	393	349	264	265	128	155	40	46
Ohio	:	648	566	421	445	421	505	228	249	35	37
South Dakota	:	515	579	321	353	308	369	170	257	34	47
Texas	:	339	311	208	193	169	152	127	119	37	45
Wisconsin	:	471	456	270	243	282	254	177	167	31	35
	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Total 14 States	:	15,073	14,792	9,147	9,521	9,318	9,573	5,425	5,809	1,047	1,226



Farrowings: Number of sows, pigs per litter and pig crop,  
December 1/-February 1973-74, selected States

State	Sows farrowing			Pigs per litter		- Pig crop 2/		
	1974					1974		
	1973	Number	As %	1973	1974	1973	Number	As %
		of 1973					of 1973	
	1,000 head	Percent		Number		1,000 head	Percent	
Georgia	106	107	101	6.60	6.96	700	745	106
Illinois	329	330	100	7.00	6.60	2,303	2,178	95
Indiana	235	220	94	7.30	6.69	1,716	1,472	86
Iowa	485	505	104	7.00	6.95	3,395	3,510	103
Kansas	103	100	97	7.05	6.90	726	690	95
Kentucky	66	65	98	7.20	7.10	475	462	97
Minnesota	164	180	110	7.45	7.20	1,222	1,296	106
Missouri	210	200	95	6.74	6.92	1,415	1,384	98
Nebraska	147	145	99	7.20	7.00	1,058	1,015	96
North Carolina	119	110	92	7.20	7.10	857	781	91
Ohio	100	93	93	7.00	6.40	700	595	85
South Dakota	75	82	109	7.20	7.30	540	599	111
Texas	52	47	90	7.20	7.20	374	338	90
Wisconsin	75	74	99	7.35	7.10	551	525	95
Total 14 States	2,266	2,258	100	7.08	6.90	16,032	15,590	97

1/ December preceding year.

2/ Number of pigs born December through February, that were on hand March 1, or had been sold.

Farrowings: Number of sows, pigs per litter and pig crop,  
March-May 1973-74, selected States

State	Sows farrowing			1973	
	1974 1/				
	1973	Number	As % of	Pigs per	Pig crop 2/
		of 1973		litter	
	1,000 head	Percent		Number	1,000 head
Georgia	89	88	99	7.00	623
Illinois	500	510	102	7.00	3,500
Indiana	250	240	96	7.16	1,790
Iowa	980	960	98	7.10	6,958
Kansas	125	120	96	7.25	906
Kentucky	80	80	100	7.40	592
Minnesota	245	252	103	7.45	1,825
Missouri	279	290	104	7.25	2,023
Nebraska	215	215	100	7.00	1,505
North Carolina	111	105	95	7.40	821
Ohio	125	130	104	7.20	900
South Dakota	168	184	110	7.15	1,201
Texas	48	47	98	7.40	355
Wisconsin	110	106	96	7.30	803
Total 14 States	3,325	3,327	100	7.16	23,802

1/ Intentions.

2/ Number of pigs born March through May, that were on hand June 1, or had been sold.

Farrowings: Number of sows, pigs per litter and pig crop,  
June-August 1973-74, selected States

State	Sows farrowing					1973	
	1974 1/						
	1973	Number	As % of 1973	Pigs per litter	Pig crop 2/		
		1,000 head	Percent	Number	1,000 head		
Georgia	87	88	101	7.10	618		
Illinois	400	390	98	6.70	2,680		
Indiana	242	220	91	7.25	1,755		
Iowa	610	610	100	7.10	4,331		
Kansas	85	85	100	7.40	629		
Kentucky	70	65	93	7.40	518		
Minnesota	210	205	98	7.25	1,523		
Missouri	228	220	96	7.19	1,639		
Nebraska	142	150	106	7.05	1,001		
North Carolina	90	92	102	7.30	657		
Ohio	112	115	103	7.20	806		
South Dakota	80	90	113	6.95	556		
Texas	56	50	89	7.60	426		
Wisconsin	101	95	94	7.25	732		
Total 14 States	2,513	2,475	98	7.11	17,871		

1/ Intentions.

2/ Number of pigs born June through August, that were on hand September 1, or had been sold.





